



Storybook 2019

Office move

New beginnings for Team ACOSVO in January! We changed headquarters and started our move from Thorn House to 18 York Place.



Everyone rushing around.

24 Jan



Packing up!



Bye bye Thorn House, we'll miss you!

Office move

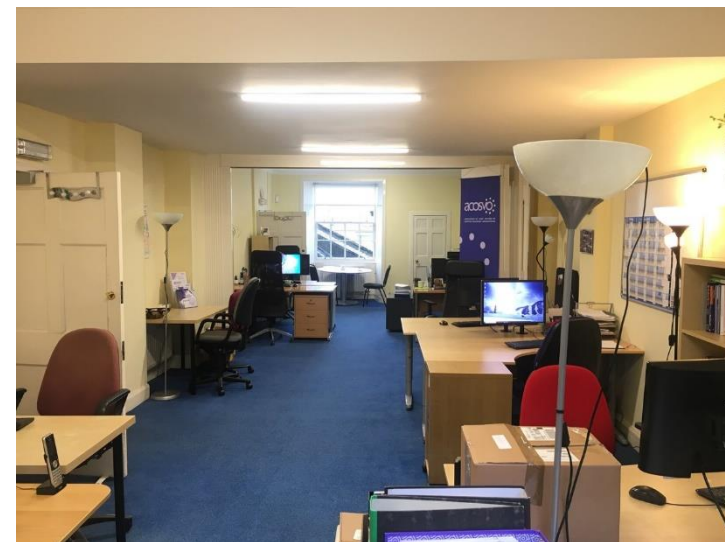
After lots of hard work we finally arrived into our new pad! We really loved the new office and everyone's been so welcoming!



24 January



Before...



...and after

Stijn's arrival

In February our new Belgian Intern Stijn arrived! He joined ACOSVO for three months, and helped us out with a variety of tasks like membership, marketing & much more! Stijn is interested in running and football.



February



Stijn

Pancake day

On Pancake day ACOSVO satisfied that sweet tooth!! Yummmmm!



5 March



Isla's birthday

We celebrated Isla's 60th birthday. We also had a delicious chocolate cake!



10 March



Members Day

Another successful Members Day event! Our members had an amazing afternoon with lots of table discussions and workshops.



Pat opening Members day



Full house



Twins spotted! Andy found his doppelgänger!



Enjoying the brollies

26 March

2 April

Daryl's permanent position

We're so delighted that Daryl will be staying with us on a permanent basis! From a Community Job Scotland role to an official ACOSVO Employee - we just couldn't let him go! An official welcome to the team!

And of course that should be celebrated with cake...



Daryl lost for words... That has never happened before...

Diane's leaving lunch

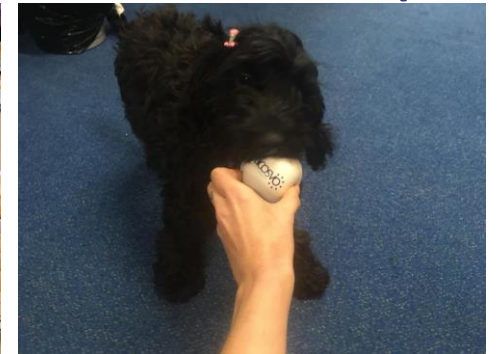
A sad farewell to our lovely Sustainability Manager Diane Cooper who said her last goodbyes today alongside her gorgeous wee pooch, Cooper 🐶
We bought her lots of present and had a very nice lunch!

Thank you for everything you've done over the past year & good luck in the future! You will be missed!

3 April



The delicious lunch!



Cooper



Diane opening her presents...

The Greatest Showman

🎵 "THIS IS THE GREATEST SHOW!!" 🎵

Our voices were a bit broken the morning after the Greatest Showman Singalong! We might have been watered down versions of the characters (ok VERY watered down), but we had a great night out!



17 April



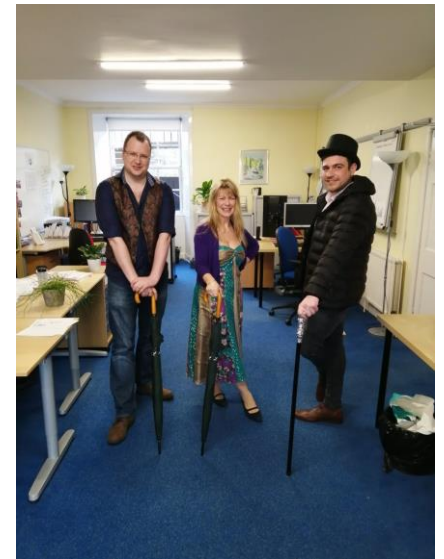
Zac



Zac and Sian



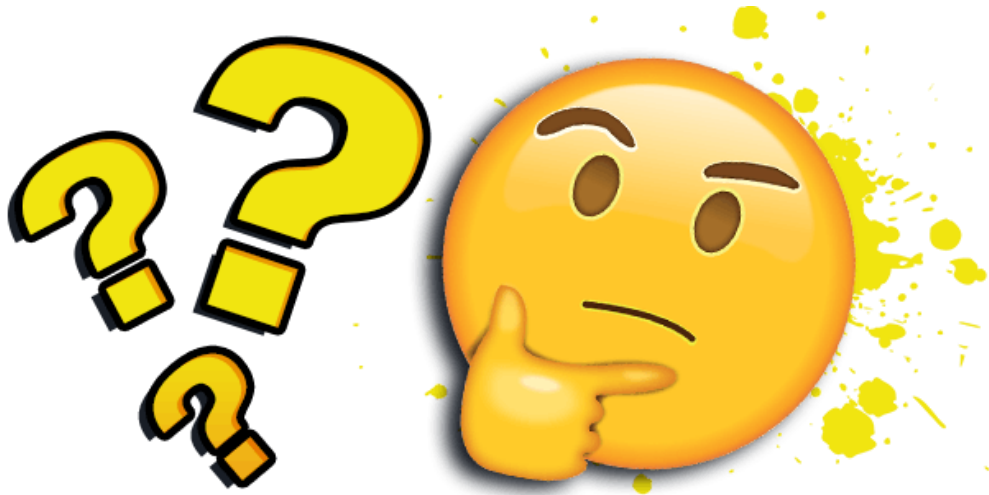
ACOSVO on stage



18 April

Team Aquizvo

Our Aquizvo team pipped for a top place at the Project Scotland fabulous quiz night!!! From race horses and films to dart board numbers and space travel. We were awesome! It was a great night out!



The dream team

Golf

Andy, Daryl and Stijn teed off for a game of pitch and putt up at the meadows. Everyone was quite competitive but we're still friends 😊

The winner was Daryl who was very happy with his hole in one at the very difficult 12th hole.



The three competitors



Daryl showing Stijn how it's done



The Golf King



The golf course

Bowling night

For Stijn's leaving night we went bowling... We had a "great ball" and it was good fun. Team Andy, Sian, Kirsten and Isla won but it was very close! Great team and great night at Tenpin Bowling 🎳



9 May



Welcoming Jayne as interim Sustainability Manager

In April we welcomed our new interim Sustainability Manager, Jayne! She will lead sustainability, project development and financial oversight consistent with ACOSVO's Resource Strategy.

Jayne has also been acting as a strategic consultant for ACOSVO for a number of years, and knows the organisation very well!

April



Phili's birthday



23 May



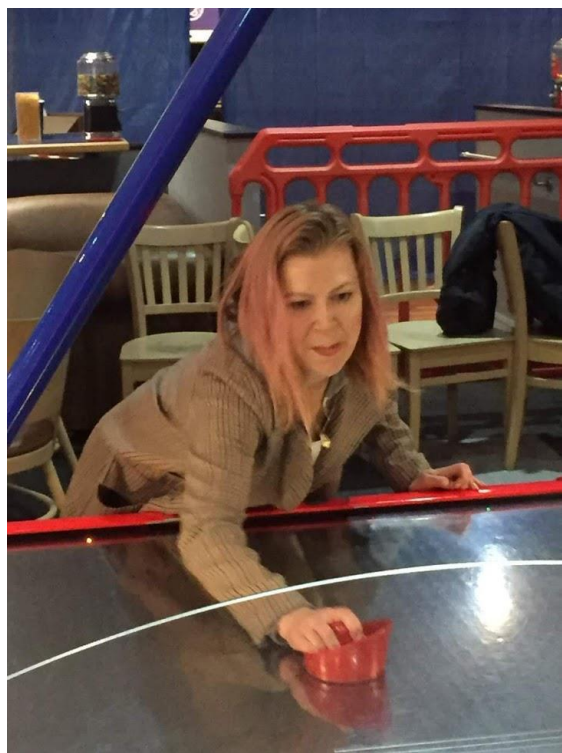
Happy birthday to our Member Services Manager!!

We celebrated Phili's birthday and enjoyed some delicious cake.

Kirsten's Promotion

In May 2019, Kirsten was promoted as our new **Senior Leader as Marketing & Communications Manager**.

Massive congratulations Kirsten!



May



Board Away Day

Round of applause for the
ACOSVO board members!!
Thank you for another
successful board away day,
until next year 🙌 😁



30 May



25 Years' of Service



Celebrating some of our staff members... Isla serving 10 years and Jody & Kirsten serving 5!! ACOSVO wouldn't be what it is today without you all, so a massive thank you!! 🙌

30 May



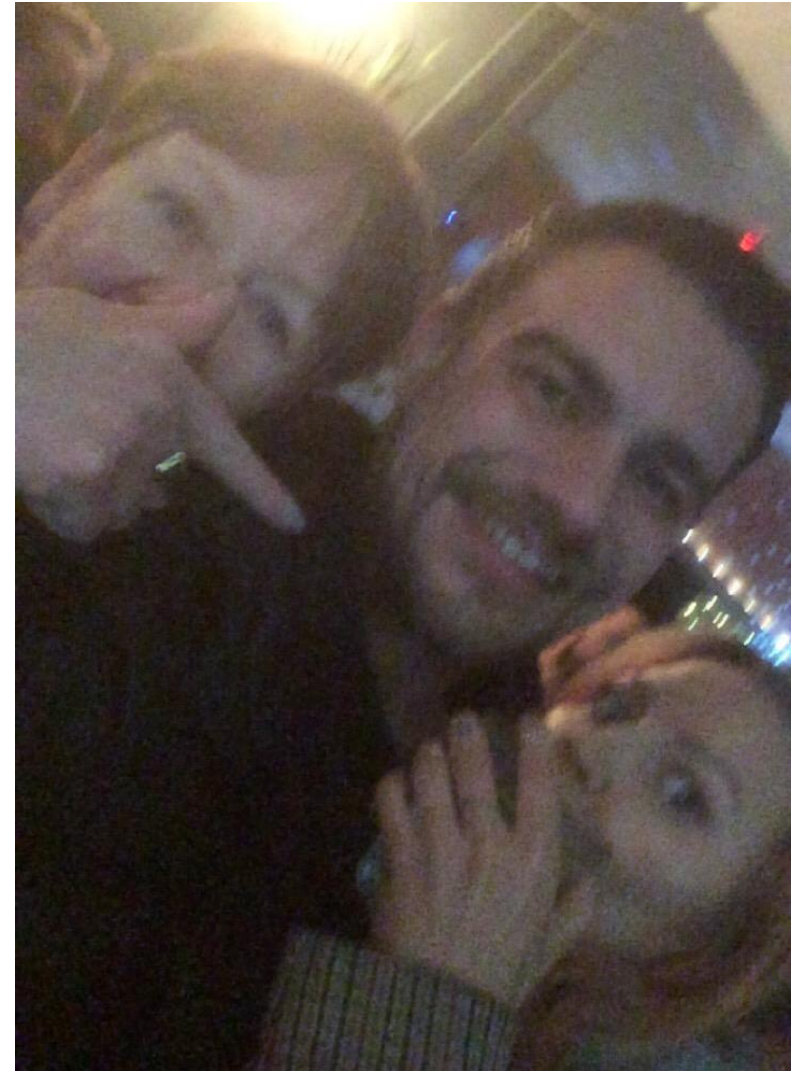
Avenue Q



Jody, Isla, Kirsten & Daryl enjoyed a fun packed evening going to see Avenue Q at King's Theatre.

Looks like it wasn't just the puppets that got up to no good...

31 May



Another lovely Wednesday Walk...



...Or was it a Thursday Toddle?

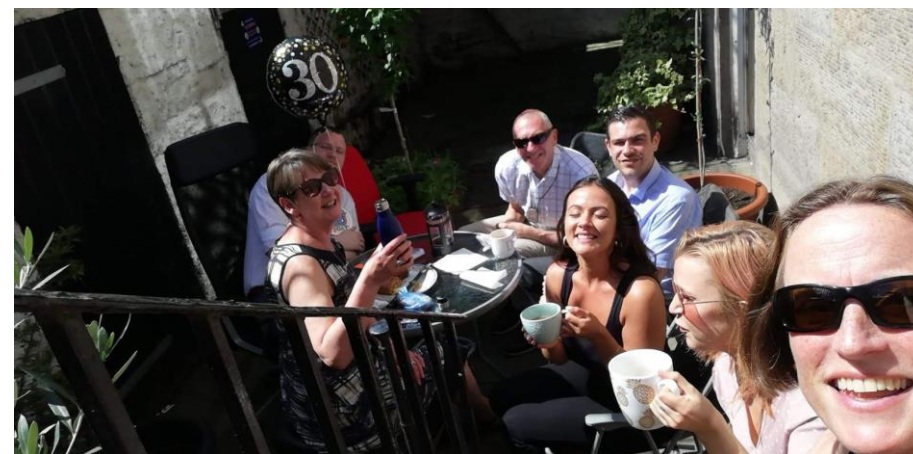
July

We took advantage of the lovely weather and went out for a stroll to absorb those rays of sunshine.

Cheers to the warm weather and...



22 July



...Jody's 30th birthday!

Oor Wullie



24 July

We were wandering around the city to find as many Oor Wullies as possible and take funny pictures with the wonderful statues



Andy's birthday



31 July

We celebrated
Andy's birthday
with the healthiest
birthday treat
imaginable:
crackers!

August

ACOSVO mini Olympics





19 August

Just a regular night out with
Nathan (or should we say
Nancy?)

Leadership Conversations



29 August



September BM – in Stirling hosted by Ian Findlay



5 September



Scottish Half Marathon

Lovely weather (until the very end medal presentations when it rained) greeted Pat, Siân and Andy for the 'trot along the coast'.

Very special congrats to Siân for completing her first half marathon

Now for 2020 – anymore takes from Team ACOSVO?

22 September



Day 1 of the Health and Housing Group Leadership Exchange Pilot

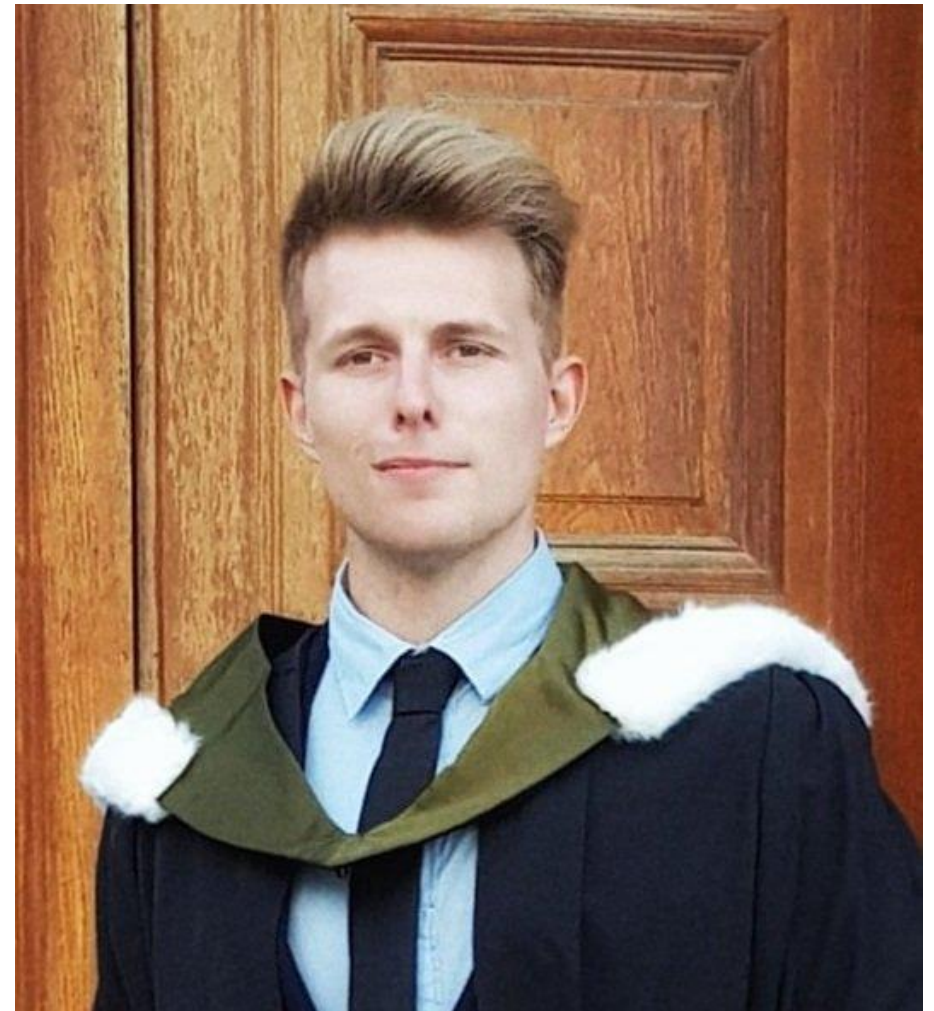
8 October



22 October

Welcome Callum!

In October, Callum joined
the ACOSVO team and
became our new Projects
Assistant



ACOSVO conference



29 October

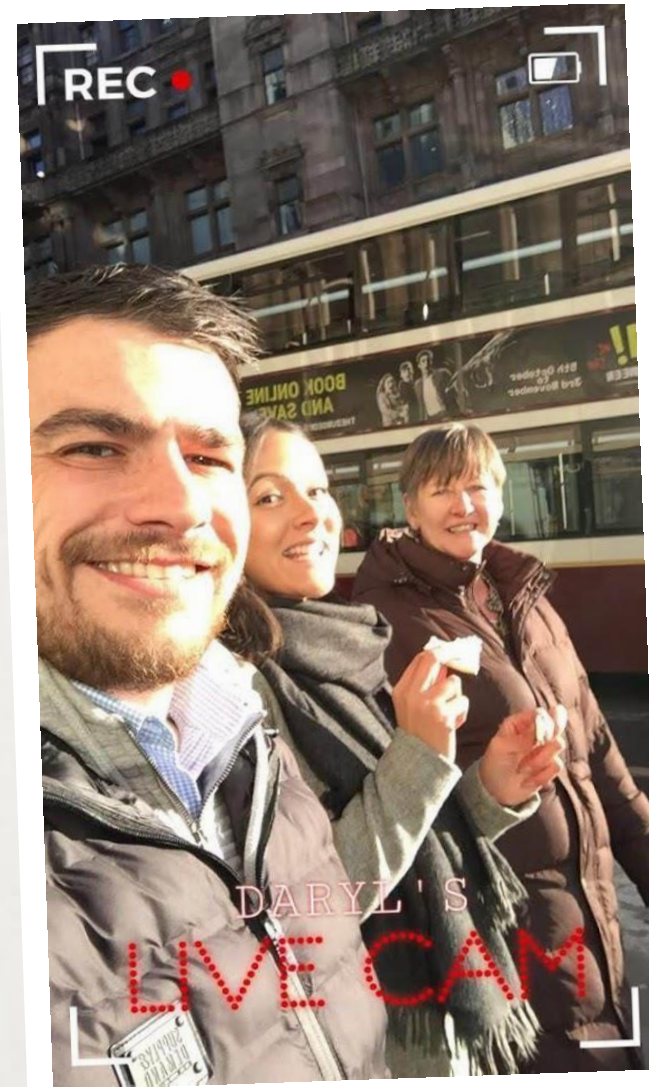


Thursday Toddle

Isla, Siân and
Daryl went on
an adventure
during the
Thursday
Toddle



14 November



Giving Tuesday

3 December

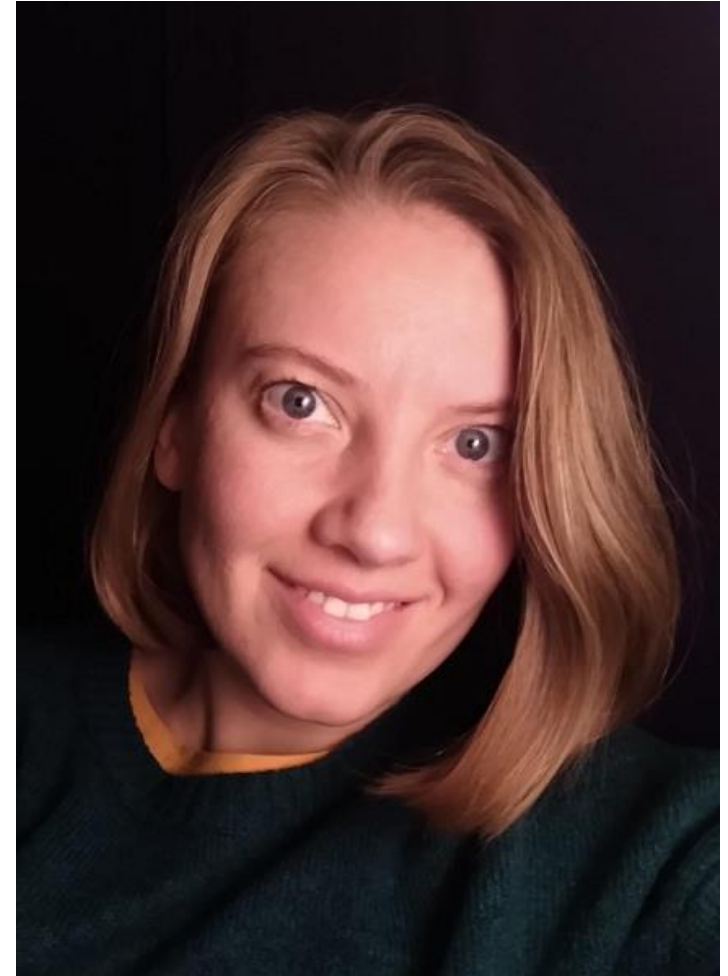


This year's Giving Tuesday was a gigantic success – with £163.98 raised for Yard Scotland!

6 December

Welcome Agni!

In December, Agni joined the ACOSVO team as a volunteer and in January 2020 she became our new Member Services Support Assistant



10 & 11 December

Twice the treats! Happy birthday Siân and Agni!



Our first “After Work Drinks Tuesday” since moving to York Place.



December

This was fabulous way of bonding with the other organisations in our building: Scottish Mediation, Relationship Scotland, HIV Scotland and Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance

Chair Yoga Session

Esme from Yoga with Esme gave us some tips and tricks to prevent getting a stiff neck and sore back when working in the office. A big thank you to Esme!



Siân's leaving party/ office Christmas party

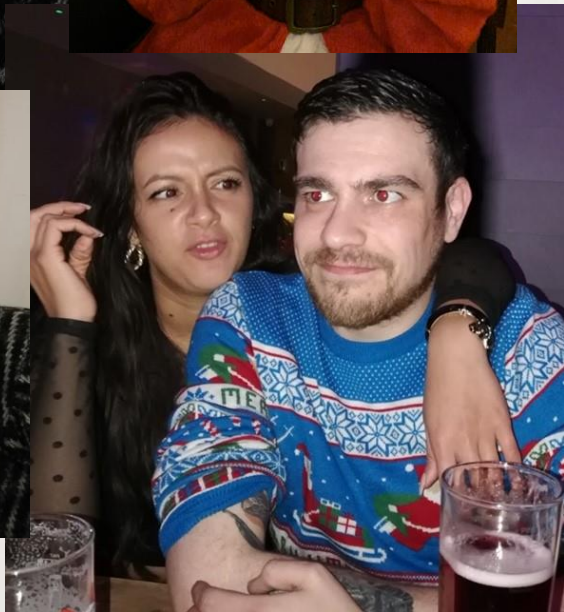


Because we had two reasons to celebrate,
we first went to an escape room ...

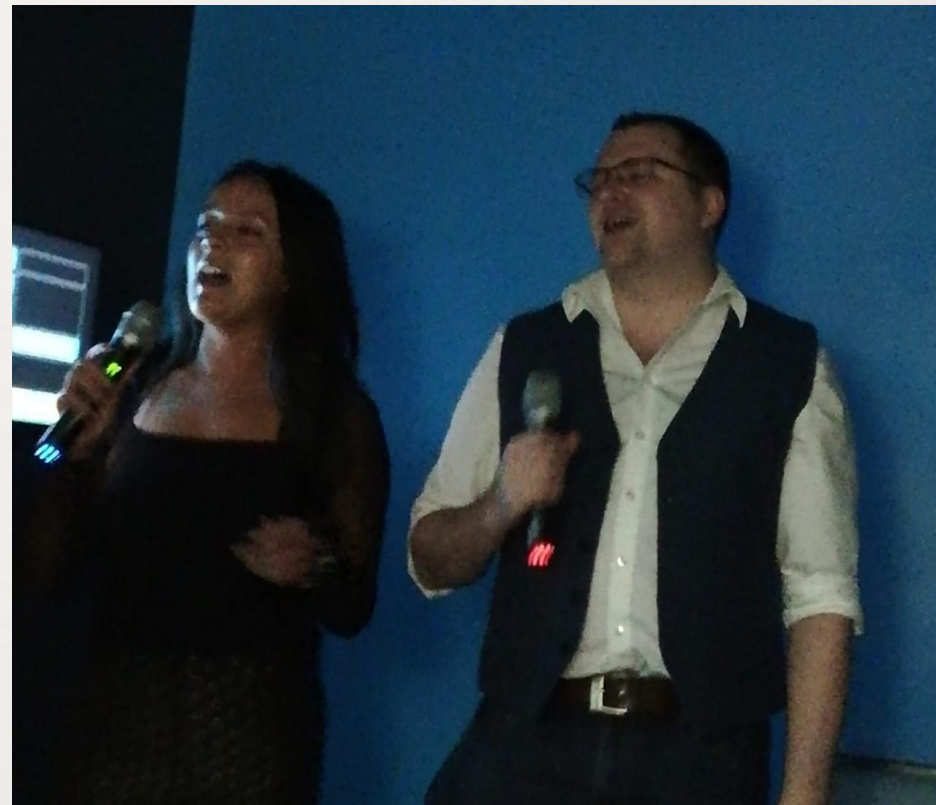
December

... had something to eat
while handing Siân her
goodbye gifts





...And went downtown for some good old fashioned karaoke. Time to show off our singing skills!



Challenge: guess the song Siân and Jody are singing so fabulously!